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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 with a copy thereof.

## CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Each of the foreign references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement generally pertains to carbonated systems. Abstracts in English are being provided to aid the Examiner in considering the potential relevancy of the cited documents.

## **CERTIFICATION**

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after three months from (i) the filing date of the above-identified U.S. National Patent application and after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application, but prior to issuance of the earlier of any Final Action or Notice of Allowance sent in such application. The fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c) and § 1.17(p) is submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

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